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TAGS: CVIS (LETELIER, ORLANDO) PINS CI VE

SUBJECT: PROBABLE VISA APPLICATION OF EX-MINISTER IN ALLENDE
GOVERNMENT

REF: (A) SANTIAGO 5488 & SUBSEQUENT; (B) CARACAS 8979

1. REFTEL (B) REPORTED ARRIVAL CARACAS SEPTEMBER 10 OF ORLANDO LETELIER, EX-AMBASSADOR OF CHILE TO THE UNITED STATES AND FORMER MINISTER OF DEFENSE IN THE ALLENDE GOVERNMENT, WHO WAS SUDDENLY RELEASED FROM PRISON BY MILITARY JUNTA IN SANTIAGO. ON SEPTEMBER 11, HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY PRESS IN OFFICE OF HIS OLD FRIEND, DIEGO ARRIA, GOVERNOR OF THE FEDERAL DISTRICT OF CARACAS. DURING INTERVIEW LETELIER STATED THAT HE PLANNED TO SETTLE IN THE UNITED STATES FOLLOWING A TOUR OF VARIOUS COUNTRIES IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE.

2. IN VIEW POSSIBILITY LETELIER WILL APPLY THIS OFFICE FOR VISA TO TRAVEL TO U.S., SANTIAGO IS REQUESTED PROVIDE BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON SUBJECT AND ITS COMMENTS ON HIS ELIGIBILITY OR INELIGIBILITY FOR VISA, SO THAT EMBASSY WILL BE IN POSITION TO ACT PROMPTLY ON 212(D)(3)(A) WAIVER REQUEST IF REQUIRED. EMBASSY
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ASSUMES THT DUE HIS FORMER SERVICE AS AMBASSADOR TO U.S. THERE

WILL BE CONSIDERABLE HIGH LEVEL INTEREST IN HIS CASE.

3. EMBASSY WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE RECEIVING ANY GUIDANCE THE
DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO PROVIDE IN THIS CASE.
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